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# IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA No. DA 09-0048

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CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF MONTANA

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Plaintiff and Appellee,

v.

NICOLE GUILL,

Defendant and Appellant.

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#### THIRD MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

COMES NOW, Colin M. Stephens, counsel of record for Defendant and Appellant, and respectfully requests a third extension of time until May 13, 2010, in which to prepare, file and serve the Appellant's opening brief in the above entitled matter. *See* attached affidavit. Opposing counsel has been contacted concerning this motion and does not object.

DATED this \_3<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2010

COLINAM. STEPHENS SMITH & STEPHENS, P.C. Attorney for the Appellant

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I caused a true and accurate copy of the Motion for Extension of Time to be mailed to:

COLEEN MAGERA Sanders County Attorney P.O. Box 519 Thompson Falls, MT 59873-0519

STEVE R. BULLOCK Montana Attorney General MARK MATTIOLI Assistant Attorney General 215 North Sanders Helena, MT 59620-1401

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DATED: 4/5/10

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#### AFFIDAVIT OF COLIN M. STEPHENS

STATE OF MONTANA  County of Missoula	)
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- I, Colin M. Stephens, after being first sworn, hereby state as follows:
- I have been appointed by the Office of the State Appellate Defender
   (OSAD) to represent the Appellant in this Matter, Nicole Candice Guill.
- 2) Although this is my second request for a continuance in this matter, there have been previous requests from Mrs. Guill's prior counsel.
- I am requesting a continuance of thirty (30) days to complete the Appellant's Opening Brief. The reason for the request is because of the complexity of Mrs. Guill's case and my pending work-load. Mrs. Guill's

file, as presented to me by the OSAD consists of five (5) bankers' boxes of files and numerous volumes of transcripts.

I have been unable to devote my full attention to Ms. Guill's case due to a complex federal conspiracy trial that I tried in Billings.

Further, I have oral argument schedule for April 21, 2010, in this Court for *State v. Sellers*, DA-09-566 & DA-09-605. *Sellers* presents an issue of first impression for this Court and will require substantial preparation.

Colin M. Stephens

SMITH & STEPHENS, P.C.

Attorney for Mrs. Guill

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO before me the undersigned Notary Public this day of April, 2010.

(SEAL)

Notary Public for State of Montana

Residing at Missoula, mT

My Commission Expires: 3-/3-2011